

House Resolution No. 761

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding Missouri couple who have enjoyed tremendous personal success through the bonds of Holy Matrimony; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Chesteen Fleming, cherished residents of Monett, Missouri, commemorated the splendid occasion of their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary on December 14, 2003, with a festive celebration held at the home of their daughter; and

Whereas, it was on December 19, 1943, that Chesteen Fleming took the hand of his beautiful bride, Melba Fritz, and together they were joined in marriage before the eyes of God during a memorable wedding ceremony officiated by the Reverend W.W. Steunhel at Trinity Lutheran Church in Freistatt; and

Whereas, a proud father and caring husband, Mr. Fleming provided a safe and secure future for his loved ones through many years of tireless endeavor as a farmer and owner of filling stations in Mt. Vernon and Monett, while somehow finding the time and energy for affiliation with the Klieboeker American Legion Post; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Mrs. Fleming enjoyed her family immensely and further distinguished herself as a stellar employee at the Jumping Jack shoe factory for twenty-six years; and

Whereas, devout members of St. John's Lutheran Church, Chesteen and Melba Fleming have relished every moment they have spent nurturing their two daughters and son-in-law, Karen Fow (deceased) and Janie and Bob Pointer; and spoiling their two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, Chesteen and Melba Fleming often reflect upon the joys and rewards they have experienced during their sixty years of marriage and look forward to beginning their seventh decade of wedded success and happiness:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most sincere and heartfelt congratulations to Chesteen and Melba Fleming upon the glorious celebration of their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary, and in wishing them only the very best as they continue to walk hand-in-hand along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Chesteen Fleming, as a measure of our esteem for them.

Offered by _____
Representative Jack Goodman
District No. 132

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 761, adopted February 25, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker